

MICHAEL F. EASLEY GOVERNOR

## COLLEGE APPLICATION WEEK

## 2008

## BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

## A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, according to the United States Department of Labor, two-thirds of the new jobs created in the United States economy between 2004 and 2014 will require at least some post-secondary education; and

WHEREAS, according to the North Carolina Commission on Workforce Development, North Carolina will need more than 400,000 new workers with at least a bachelor's degree by 2014; and

WHEREAS, Governor Easley has launched the EARN Scholarship Program, which will provide \$4,000 per year for two years for qualified students to attend either a state university or community college; and

WHEREAS, College Foundation of North Carolina (CFNC) provides a comprehensive web site where students can apply online to over 100 colleges and universities in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, during the week of November 10-14, 2008, all North Carolina colleges and universities will accept the College Board fee waiver for those students with a demonstrated financial need in order to ensure that no student is deprived of the opportunity to pursue admission to the institution(s) of their choice due to financial hardship;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL F. EASLEY, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim November 10-14, 2008, as "COLLEGE APPLICATION WEEK" in North Carolina and urge our students to visit College Foundation of North Carolina's web site, www.cfnc.org, and apply to universities and colleges because applying is the first step toward earning the degrees that will help them succeed in today's global economy.



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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this twenty-fourth day of October in the year of our Lord two thousand and eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-third.